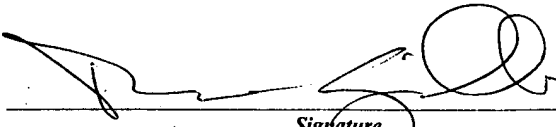

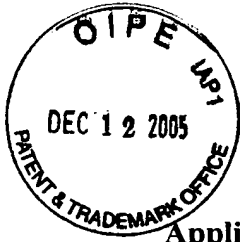


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Inventor: ENDOSCOPIC MUCOUS MEMBRANE RESECTION INSTRUMENT AND ENDOSCOPIC MUCOUS MEMBRANE RESECTION METHOD						
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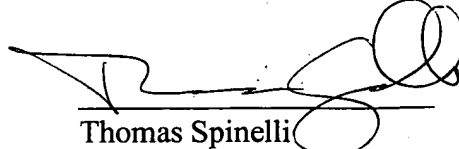
Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 13, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks:

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